in Sanskrit literature and introduce them to the main current of Irvdia'p cultural tradition mirrored in it. Doordarshan has recently introduced a weekly programme for 15 minutes in Sanskrit w.e.f. May 29, 198S. ft is telecast on National Network the morning transmission.

Wheat unfit for human consumption

i. SHRl KAILASH PATJ . MISHRA-

SHRl ATAL BIHARI VAJ-PAYEE:

Will the Minister, of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state;

(a) the amounts of overnl! loses suffered by the Food Corporation of India iliie to the sub-standard wheat sent from U.P. (namely Naini. Jhansi and Onii) to \ angalorc'in the years 1984 and 1985;. the details of the result;-; of investigations and disciplinary action taken in this regard;

(b) the losses suffered by the FCI during each of the_ last three years and the current year due to various malpractices in purchases, storage and transit operations of Foodgrains including substandard purchases pilferage, shortage etc:' and

(C) the disciplinary actions taken agalajit >ns responsible and of those present committed" to criminal proceedings for punishment during this period?

THE . DFPTTTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRT D. L. BA1THA): (a) According to Audit, the Food Corporation of India incurred a loss of about Rs. 46 lakhs on freight, demurrage, cleaning/ upgradation etc. relating to sub-standard wheat despatched from depots at Naini, Orai and Jhansi in UP Region to Manga-lore. The FCT has initiated disciplinary aaition against 8 employees (telating to despatches from Naini to Mangalore, against 12 employees for despatches from Jhansi to Mangalore and against 6 employees for despatches from Orai to Mangalore.

(b) The transit and storage shortages of foodgrains incurred by the FCI for the years 1984-85 to 1986-87 are given be-low;—

Year	Purchase T Sales (Lakh MT)	Shortage (Lakh MT)	%of shor-tage over ' pur-chase sales
1984-S5	295.14	5.72	1-94
1985-86	368.40	5.[1])5	1.62
1986-87	398.96	6.51	i.63

(c) FCI has proceeded departmental^ against its employee;? for the years from 1985 to 1988 as Indicated below:—

Year -	Number of emply-yees proceeded against
1985 '	609
1986	823
1987 . .	654
1988 (up to May: 1988)	30*

Foodgrains Production

1311. SHR1 M A HFN 13 R A PRASA) > Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the production of foodgrains during 1987-88, State wise and Union Territory-wise;

(b) to what extent each State j Union Territory has been able to achieve the targets fixed in this regard; and

(c) what specific steps were taken bv Government to help the States to achieve the tasgetted production?

THF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE \NO COOPERATION IN THE MINIS-TRY OP \GRICULTURE (SHRI

SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) The production of foodgrains, State-wise during the year 1987.88 is given in the enclosed statement. *{See* below):

(b) The National foodgrains produc tion target foe 1987-88 was fixed at 160 million tonnes. In order to achieve the same only working targets were indicated to the States.

(c) The Government took, the following steps to help the States in raising the production level;—

(i) Maximisation of productivity in assured areata such as irrigaed areas ' and rainfed areap with high rainfall;

(ii) Timely, easy and adequate supply of agricultural inputs, inclusive of imparting improved technology;

(iii) Increasing the coverage of area under hi'-h yielding varieties with proper plans for production and distribution of sufficient seeds;

(iv) Implementation of the National Programme on crops like Special Ri' Production Programme in the Eastermn States, National Pulse Development Pt6jelcts and other programme's on retiree management through Small and Marginal Farmers Programmes an National Watershed Development Programme;

(v) Adoption cf integrated plant protection measures;

(vi) Increasing the intensity of e ping through double, multiple and inter. cropping; and

(vii) Assuring remunerative T •for various food crops to the farmers and organisational support for sale of commoditfcis at these prices. Statement

Production of Foodgrains during 1987-88 *[Provisional}*

	(Lakh tdnnes)
Andhra Pradesh	96.9
Assam	29.3
Bihar .	93.7
Gujarat .	11.6
Haryaiu	62.9
Hirnachal Pradesh	93
Jammu & Kashmir	9.3
Karnataka	59.0
Kerala .	10.8
Madhya Pradesh	141.4
Maharashtra	109.4
Orissa .	51.6
Punjab .	170-1
Rajasthan	43.3 %
TmailNadu'	75.8
Uttar Pradesh	280.2
West Bengal .	99 0
Others .	16.6
ALL INDIA :	370.2

गोदामों में क्षतिग्रस्त हुआ अनाज

1312. **श्री शरद यादव :** क्या **खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकारी गोदामों में रखा चावल और गेहूं क्षति-ग्रस्त हो गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो 1987–88 के दौरान कितनी मात्रा में अनाज क्षतिग्रस्त हुआ है ;

(ग) क्या भारतीय कृषकों और अर्थशास्त्रियों के आर्थिक दल ने इस सम्बन्ध में कोई रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत की है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसमें क्या सुझाव दिए गए हैं और इन सुझावों में से कित सुझावों को स्वीकार कर लिया गया है ?

खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री डी० एल० बैठा) : (क) और (ख) जी, हां। वर्षा, बाढ़ों, तूफानों